

1757 Will of Benjamin Hungerford

(Md Wills; Liber 30, folio 556-557)

In the name of God Amen I Benjamin Hungerford of Calvert County in the Province of Maryland Planter being weak in the body but of perfect mind and memory...

*Imprimus I give bequeath to my son John Hungerford two hundred acres of land Part of **Elton head Mannor** also one negro man called Joe one Boy called Tom one Pair of hand mill Stones to him his heirs forever.*

*Item I give Bequeath to my Daughter Hannah Hungerford one tract of land called **Friendship** Ninety acres more or less also one negro boy called Willi one negro girl called Nan with all her increase from the date hereof to her and her heirs forever.*

Item I give & Bequeath to my Daughter Jane Hungerford one negro woman called Theura and all her increase one negro child called Kate to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give and Bequeath to my beloved Wife one negro man called Jack one negro woman called Jane ...Personal Estate. And I also Give to my said wife during her natural life one hundred and forty three acres of land more or less called Jarmine Quarter Provided that it shall not be ~~fully for my said Wife to lay Claim to my other Part or Parts of my lands what so ever And after my wifes Dicease it is my Desire that one hundred acres of the said land shall go to my son John and his heirs forever and the other Forty three acres lying on the Back Creek to my Daughter Jane to her and her heirs forever my Desire is that my wife Should be sole guardian and Trustee to my Children untill they are of age But in case she should Die before they come of age My will and Desire is that my nephew Edmund Hungerford take them with their Estates be their guardian and Trustee untill they are of age In case my Children should all die without heirs my will is that my wife should have the use of my whole Estate during her natural life after her Decease I give it to my nephew Edmond Hungerford both real and Personal every part there to him and his heirs Forever - I also ~~~~and appoint my Beloved wife and my nephew Edmond hungerford jointly executrix and

*executor of this my Last will and testament in Witness of I have also set my hand
and seal this Eighth day of November in the year of our Lord 1757*

Benjamin Hungerford {seal}

*Signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of
Gideon Turner, George Smith, John Baker*